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REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2005. Reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the amendments made above and remarks to follow is earnestly solicited.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication that claims 1, 2 and 4-15 contain allowable subject matter. Based thereon, Applicant has cancelled claim 3 without prejudice, and has incorporated the allowable subject matter of claim 1 into device claim 16, while amending the remaining dependent claims accordingly. Dependent claim 12 was also amended pursuant to the lack of antecedent basis noted therein. Based thereon, notice to the effect that claims 1, 2 and 4-23 are now in condition for allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicant has made a sincere and diligent effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. However, if any issues still remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned to resolve such issues prior to issuing another office action.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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